HOMELESS AT HOME A Public Project Summary "Homeless, NYC" November 7, 1985

"Homeless, NYC" was a presentation by 22 performance, film and video artists of works created about homelessness and the home. The works were presented at Quando in New York City to an audience of 200.

Linda Austin, a performance artist and member of the HAH Organizing Committee, coordinated the event with the assistance of Shirin Neshat, Todd L-Ayoung, Denise Minter and Onslow Carrington, all members of the Artists Committee, and Nancy Erber, member of the HAH Organizing Committee.

Works and participants:

# Videos:

Interviews of Homeless Men by Nika Cavat
Interviews of Members of the HAH Organizing Committee and Artists purchasing the "Images and Words about Homelessness" Exhibition by Patricia Younger and her student associates from New York University.

"St. Francis Residence" by Julia Keydel

# Film:

Linda Austin

# Performances:

"Liberty Enlightening the World" by Todd L-Ayoung, Shirin Neshat, Denise Minter, Onslow C. Carrington, Jr. and Leslie Goldblatt.

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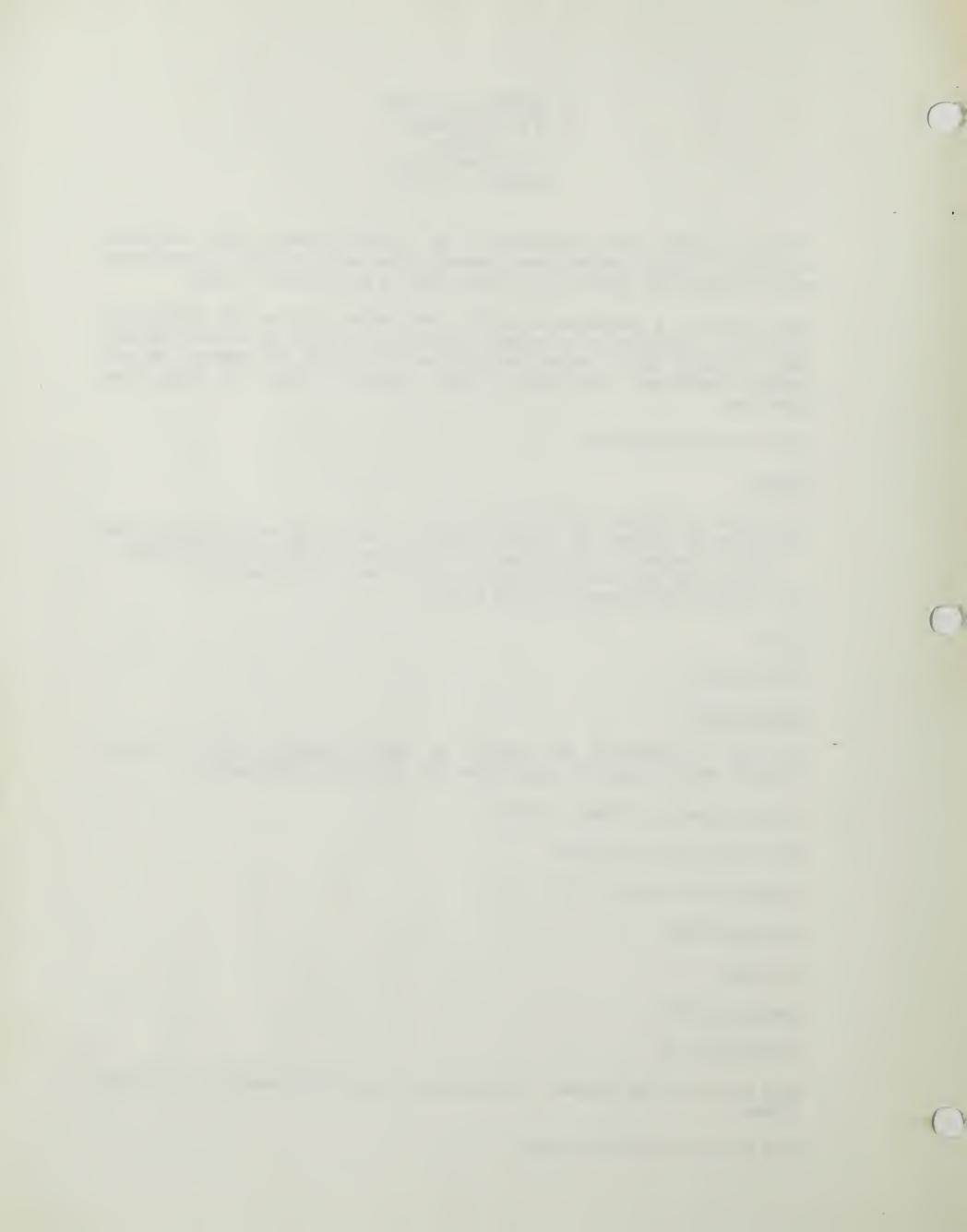
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### HOMELESS NYC

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8:30 Chapel -- VIDEOS

Nika Cavat Patricia Younger Julia Keydel

9:30 Pool (downstairs) -- PERFORMANCE and FILM

"Liberty Enlightening the World" by Todd L-Ayoung, Shirin Neshat, Denise Minter, Onslow C. Carrington, Jr., and Leslie Goldblatt

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10:15 Chape 1 -- PERFORMANCE

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"How Can You?" -- Onslow C. Carrington, Jr., Todd L-Ayoung, Denise Minter

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Michael Courney's No Rio Open Mike Cavalcade

PERFORMANCES FOLLOWED BY D.J. DANCING IN THE GYM

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35. 10% A STREET OF FCRGOTTEN MEN
By Nika Cavat
1985, 10 min. color video

Nika Cavat's comments about the tape:

STREET OF FORGOTTEN MEN tells the story of three men who have found themselves alone and without shelter in New York. One interviewee requested anonymity - the shame and lack of self-worth was just too overwhelming. He is only 22 years old.

Shot on location on the Bowery, long known as "their street", in the director's Bowery loft, and in a born-again Christian mission where the men must listen to an hour-long sermon before they receive food, clothing or a hot shower, this video seeks to be as unobtrusive as possible. The world of the homeless is a tough one to crack - people so long abused, neglected and suffering from a whole spectrum of addictions and illnesses. This all contributed to a tense situation. But some brave souls did come forward. There is Frank, orphaned at 18, born deaf, dumb, and blind. There is Tommy, a 24-year-old boy fighting alcoholism and a lifetime of being in institutions. Kyong Park, long an activist for the homeless, also speaks out. It is to them and the many others behind the scenes who made this documentary possible that the director is truly grateful.

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- Prepared by Julia Keydel for the Board of Goddard Riverside Community Center
  1983, 21 min., b/w video
- Tape #2 HOMELESSNESS AND THE SEARCH FOR SOLUTIONS ST. FRANCIS RESIDENCE I

  By Julia Keydel
  1984, 57 min., b/w video

Julia Keydel's comments about the tapes:

My documentary involvement with the issue of homelessness evolved out of an issue facing my community, the upper west side, in 1981. At that time the City wished to contract Goddard Riverside Community Center to expand its mobile outreach services to the homeless so that a storefront Assessment Center could be established. Not intended as a shelter but rather as a place where referals to services and entitlements could be carried out more efficiently, the Assessment Center proposal nevertheless created great controversy and division in the community. This influenced me to undertake making some tapes that would both reveal the homeless as human beings and target truly effective solutions to the problem of homelessness.

- Description The Sampler for the Goddard Riverside Board meeting begins with several interviews with people who were or are homeless, continues with "Voices in a Community", commments from people on the upper west side, moves to observations from the Goddard Riverside Project Reach-Out workers during a retreat workshop held in 1983, and concludes with a summary by the then director of the program, Jim Adams.
- Description The St. Francis Residence in New York City combats two key conditions contributing to homelessness: the steady loss of low-income, single-room-occupancy hotels (SROs) and the lack of support for mental patients released from State hospitals to live in community settings. Not all the tenants of St. Francis are former State mental patients, but each resident is the beneficiary of this hotel's humane and caring environment. The videotape introduces residents, staff, and special programs at the hotel. When distributed, it is accompanied by a short brochure with supplementary information.

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Homelessness Videotape Project
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# HOME AND HOMELESS

The "Homeless and Home" project is not over! Coming up, in November and December, is a discussion group series for participants in the big artists' and architects' "Homeless and Home" exhibition, midtown Manhattan, early 1986.

Are you thinking of submitting work for the 1986 exhibition? Want to join in discussions with Storefront organizers, artists, architects, shelter directors? All are invited to discussion groups, to be held at the Kraine Club Gallery, 85 E. 4 Street, NYC. Donation, \$1. Cash bar. Dates are listed below.

### DISCUSSION GROUPS

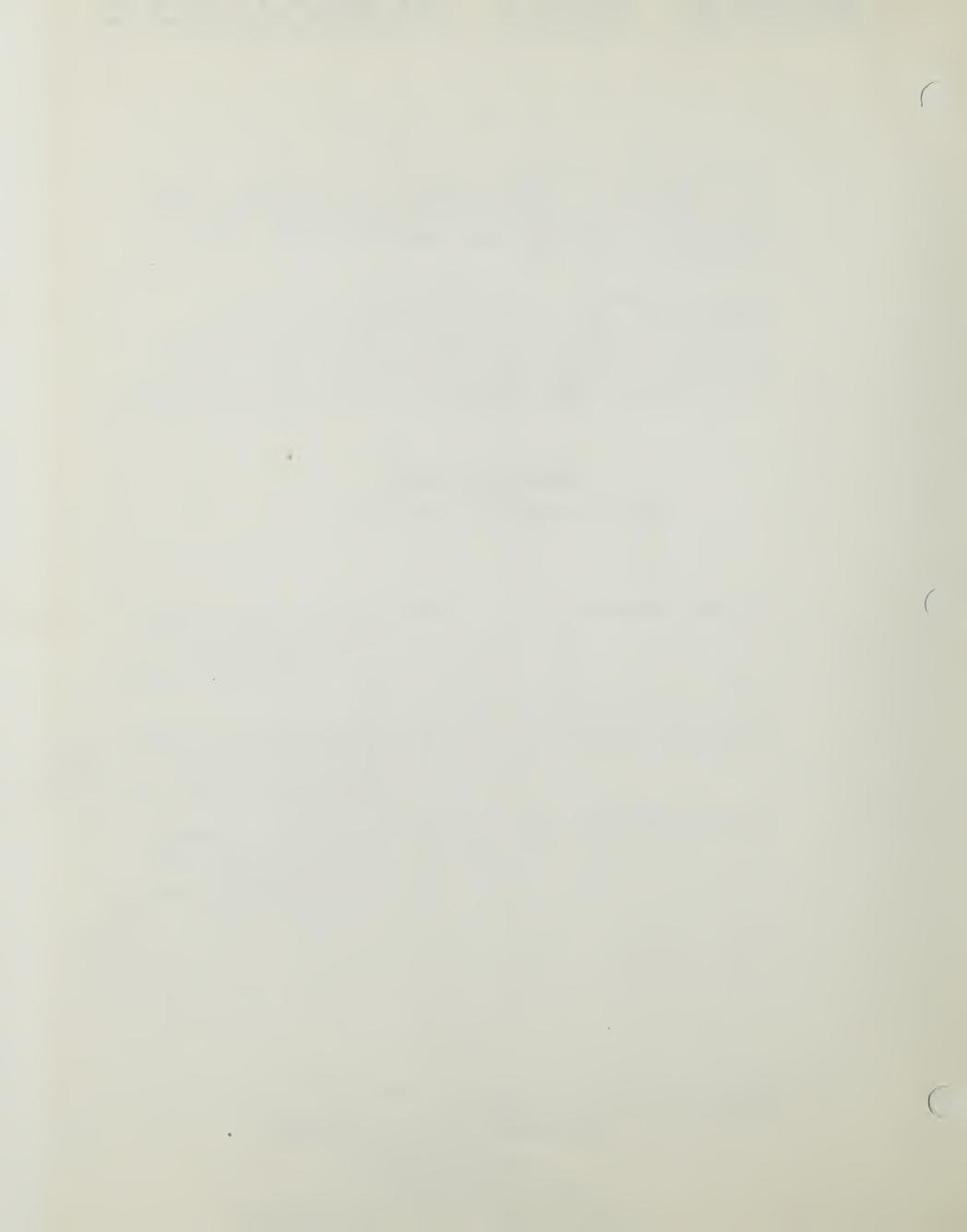
"Home and Homeless Exhibition"

Sunday, November 24		Kraine Club Gallery 85 E. 4 Street NYC (212) 982-7118 \$1 donation; cash bar
Saturday, December 7	6 - 8 PM	Kraine Club Gallery 85 E. 4 Street NYC (212) 982-7118 \$1 donation cash bar
Tuesday, December 12	6 - 8 PM	Kraine Club Gallery 85 E. 4 Street NYC (212) 982-7118 \$1 donation; cash bar

Come to one or all sessions. Everyone invited. Questions? Call Storefront at

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\*Saturday December 7 is the second in the discussion group series "Home and homeless" open to all artists architects and other members of the creative community.

Speakers: Colleen McDonald, from the Coalition for the Homeless, and Ray Richardson, director of Homeground, an organization of homeless people on: aspects of homelessness. Also visual artists and directors of the "Home and Homeless" project, Rosemary Cellini and Kim Higgins, and architects/gallery directors Kyong Park and Glen Weiss on: pragmatic and visionary approaches to the homeless crisis: changing our concept of home. There will be a discussion with audience participation and an invitation to join in a series of group shows on the subject in early 1986.

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Thursday December 12: to be announced

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, is the third and last in the current discussion group series "Home and Homeless," open to all artists, architects and others.

Speakers: Julia Keydel, an independent film and video documentary maker, now teaching at NYU; and Amy Haus, a social service researcher at Columbia University, formerly with the Coalition for the Homeless, will show video interviews with the homeless and talk about making socially relevant documentary art, and about community involvement with solutions to homelessness.

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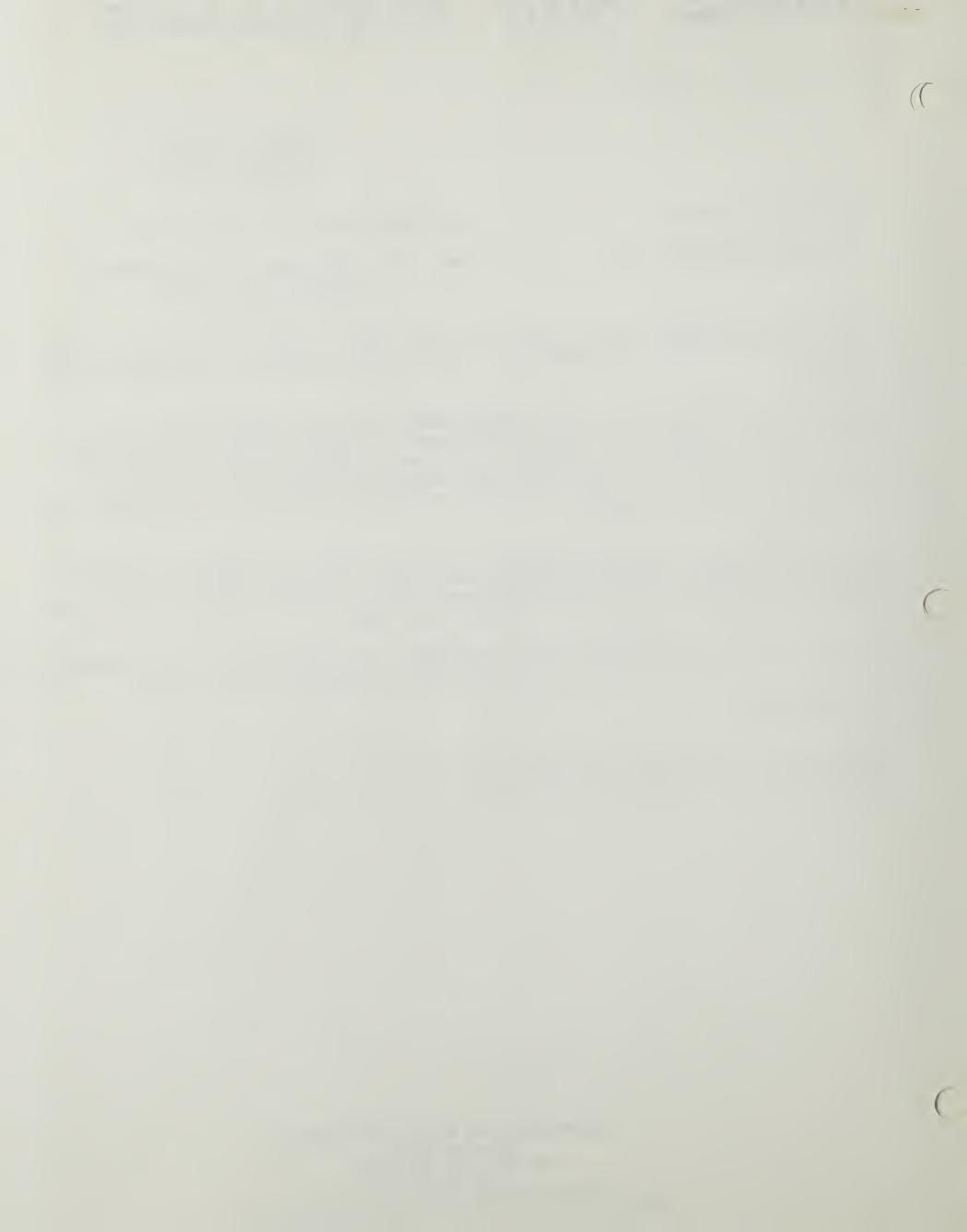
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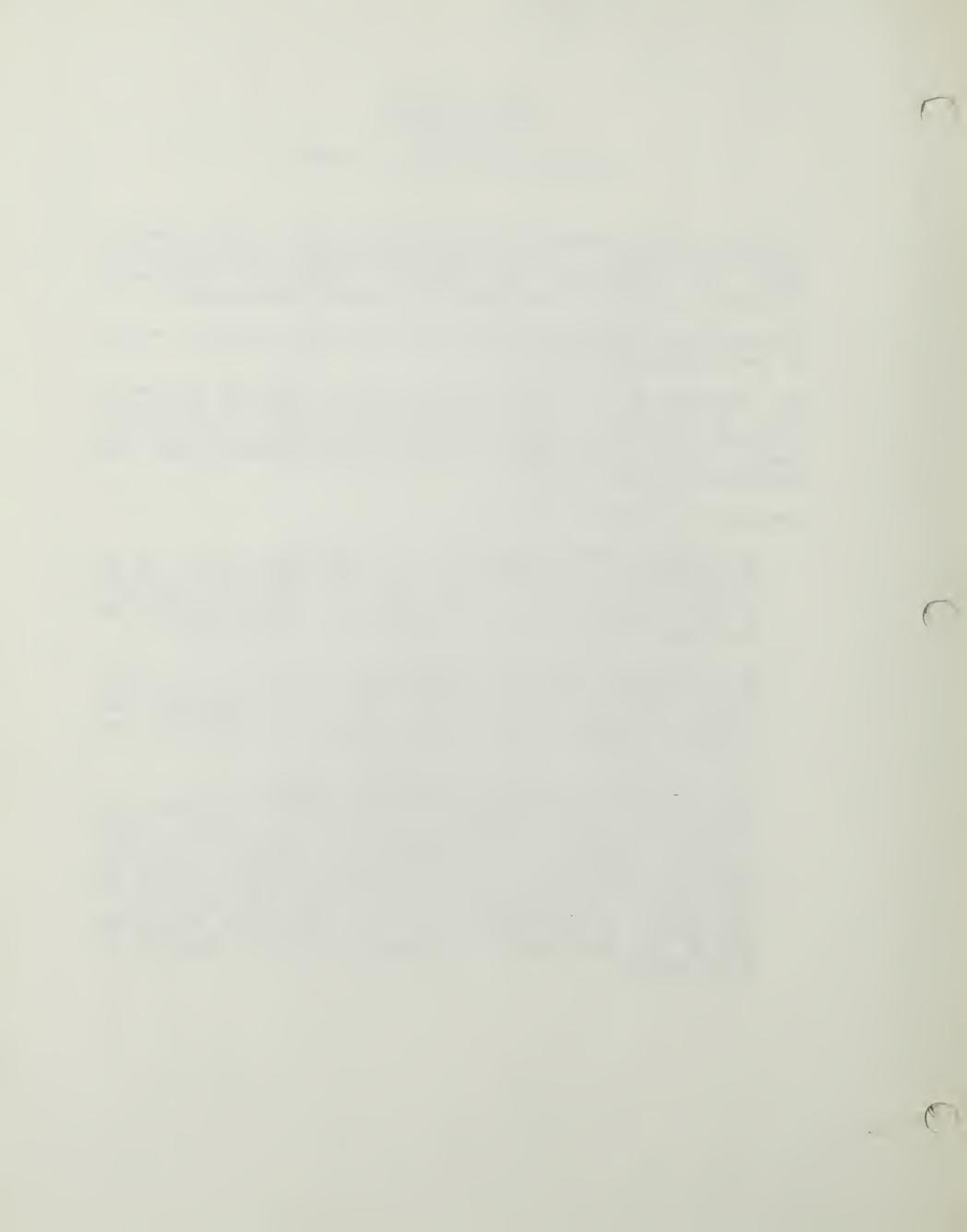
A series of three discussion groups were sponsored by the Storefront for Art and Architecture and the Kraine Club Gallery which provided the space. The discussions were open to registered participants, individuals planning to participate in the project and the public.

The series was coordinated by Nancy Erber and Jeffrey Schwartz, members of the HAH Organizing Committee.

The objectives of the discussions were to (1) present information about the project; (2) present information about the problem of homelessness; and; (3) create a further dialogue between the project's members, project participants, individuals knowledgeable about the problem and homeless individuals.

Summaries of each discussion group:

- No. 1 Sunday, November 24, 1985, 6:00 8:00 PM
  Introduction to the Storefront for Art and Architecture and the Homeless at Home Project by Glenn Weiss and Kyong Park, Directors of Storefront, Description of the project by Rosemary Cellini and Kim Higgins, Project Directors. Question and Answer Session.
- No. 2 Saturday, December 7, 1985, 6:00 8:00 PM
  Colleen McDonald, Project Director for The Oliveri Center for Homeless Women and Ray Richardson, Director of Homegrown, Inc. presented information about the problem of homelessness and possible solutions. Question and Answer Session.
- No. 3 Thursday, December 12, 1985, 6:00 8:00 PM
  Julia Keydel, an independent film maker, video documentarian and lecturer at New York University, and Amy Haus, a social service researcher, formerly with The Coalition for the Homeless, presented video docmentation of interviews with homeless individuals, interviews with individuals in a community in which a shelter had been planned and documentation of a successful effort by a community to save the Capital Hall Hotel from demise and thereby prevent its inhabitants from becoming homeless. Question and Answer Session.



Glenn Weiss\* and Kyong Park, Directors of the Storefront for Art and Architecture wish to extend their thanks to the following individuals who have committed their thought, time and energy, at one time or another, to this project. Those who were directly responsible for organizing and producing HOMELESS AT HOME-Exhibition No. 4 are indicated by a (\*).

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